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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the fourth non-final Office Action dated November 17, 2004, please amend the above-identified application in the manner indicated below.

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Submitted herewith is the following document relating to the above-identified patent application:

(1) Amendment and Response to Office Action.

There is no additional fee due in conjunction with the Amendment. In the event of any non-payment or improper payment of a required fee, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge or to credit Ryan, Mason & Lewis, LLP Account No. 50-0762 as required to correct the error.

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